



## DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES RECYCLING AND RECOVERY

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### NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

This notice is to advise responsible and trustee agencies, interested parties, and those potentially affected by the project that the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) directed the preparation of an Initial Study/ Negative Declaration (IS/ND), which evaluates potential environmental impacts of the California Architectural Paint Stewardship Program Plan submitted by the non-profit stewardship organization, PaintCare, Inc.

As mandated by state law, the minimum public review period for this document is 30 days. The proposed IS/ND and the Architectural Paint Stewardship Program Plan are available for review at <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/EPR/PolicyLaw/Paint.htm>, via walk-in, or by calling, writing, or e-mailing:

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The comment period for this IS/ND begins on June 14, 2012 and ends on July 14, 2012.

Comments from the public are invited, and may be submitted in writing or via email to Cynthia Dunn at the address given below. CalRecycle will conduct a public meeting on July 17, 2012 at which the Architectural Paint Stewardship Program Plan will be discussed. The meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. on July 17, 2012 in the Byron Sher Auditorium on the second floor of the California Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters Building, 1001 I Street in Sacramento. Check CalRecycle's Events Calendar web page <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Calendar/> for further information.

**Project Description:** This project is CalRecycle's approval of the California Architectural Paint Stewardship Program Plan. The paint stewardship organization, PaintCare, submitted the Plan to CalRecycle for approval to fulfill part of the requirements of the paint stewardship statute (Chapter 420, Statutes of 2010 [Huffman, AB 1343]; Public Resources Code Sections 48700 et seq.). The Plan is submitted on behalf of the architectural paint manufacturers who are participating in the Plan in compliance with AB 1343. The Plan contains information on: program products, registered manufacturers and brands, collection infrastructure and goals, sales and collection volumes, budget and assessment rates, education and outreach, waste management, and annual report and financial audit.

The purpose of the architectural paint stewardship law is to require paint manufacturers, individually or collectively through a stewardship organization, to develop and implement a program to collect, transport, and process postconsumer paint to reduce the costs and environmental impacts of the disposal of postconsumer paint in this state. The law requires architectural paint manufacturers to submit a stewardship plan to CalRecycle describing the proposed program. CalRecycle has the responsibility to review and approve or disapprove the plan. AB 1343 requires that a stewardship plan contain elements that describe:



- Sufficient funding for the proposed program that covers administrative, operational, and capital costs, including the assessment of charges on architectural paint sold by manufacturers in the state;
- Coordination with existing local household hazardous waste collection programs;
- Goals to reduce the generation of postconsumer paint, promote the reuse of postconsumer paint, and for the proper end-of-life management of postconsumer paint, including recovery and recycling of postconsumer paint; and
- Consumer, contractor, and retailer education and outreach efforts to promote the source reduction and recycling of architectural paint;

The funding for the program comes from an architectural paint stewardship assessment that is added to the cost of all architectural paint sold in the state. The amount of the assessment, which must be approved by CalRecycle as part of the plan approval, must be sufficient to recover, but not exceed, the cost of the program.

For manufacturers to be in compliance, they must implement an approved plan. Maintaining a level playing field among manufacturers is addressed through a combination of civil penalties for non-compliance and transparency that allows all stakeholders and the public to evaluate progress.

**Lead Agency Name and Address:**

Please submit your written or email comments to:  
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**Agency Carrying-Out the Project:** Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery

**Project Location:** Statewide

**Findings of Significant Effect on the Environment:** None

**Local Government Responsibility:** None

**Other Agencies Approval Required:** None